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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S REMARKS AT USDA FEBRUARY 16

1. WHITE HOUSE TRANSCRIPT OF THE PRESIDENT'S REMARKS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FEBRUARY 16 INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION WHICH WAS INAUDIBLE AND THEREFORE NOT REPORTED IN THE TRANSCRIPT.

2. QUOTE THAT QUESTION IS DIFFICULT TO ANSWER IN A SIMPLISTIC WAY. I WOULD HOPE THAT WE COULD GET BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR NATION AND ONE OTHER COUNTRY AND OUR NATION AND ALL NATIONS, TO ELIMINATE THE POSSIBILITY OF ADDITIONAL NATIONS BEING ABLE TO BUILD ATOMIC WEAPONS. THAT WOULD INCLUDE SOUTH AFRICA, FURTHER
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DEVELOPMENT IN INDIA, AN EXPANSION OF NUCLEAR CAPABILITY TO OTHER COUNTRIES, LIKE BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, PAKISTAN, SOUTH KOREA, TAIWAN.

3. WE ARE MOVING VERY AGGRESSIVELY ON THIS SUBJECT. I AM NOW TRYING TO INDUCE THE GERMANS NOT TO SELL NUCLEAR PROCESSING CAPABILITY TO THE BRAZILIANS; TO TRY TO

INDUCE THE FRENCH NOT TO SELL THE SAME CAPABILITIES TO PAKISTAN. BUT IT HAS TO BE DONE WITH A SENSE TO OTHER PEOPLE THAT WE CAN PROVIDE PART OF THE NUCLEAR MATERIALS TO PRODUCE POWER AND THEN DEPRIVE THEM OF AN OPPORTUNITY TO REPROCESS WASTE TO MAKE EXPLOSIVES. THAT IS THE FIRST PART OF YOUR QUESTION. SECONDLY, I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE TOWARD THE REESTABLISHMENT OF NORMAL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN OUR OWN COUNTRY AND ANGOLA, AMONG OTHER NATIONS. WE NOW HAVE SEVERAL PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN THAT. THE ATTITUDE OF ANGOLA AND ITS GOVERNMENT TOWARD KEEPING CUBAN MERCENARIES, I WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO SEE THE CUBANS REMOVED. THEY ARE SOLDIERS FROM ANGOLA. LET THE ANGOLA NATION MAKE THEIR OWN DECISION ABOUT THEIR GOVERNMENT. WE HAVE RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM INDIRECT SOURCES THAT CASTRO AND CUBA HAS PROMISED TO REMOVE THOSE TROOPS. THAT WOULD BE A STEP TOWARD NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONSHIPS WITH ANGOLA. THE SAME THING APPLIES TO THE RESTORATION OF NORMALIZATION WITH CUBA. IF I CAN BE CONVINCED THAT CUBA WANTS TO REMOVE THEIR AGGRAVATING INFLUENCE FROM OTHER COUNTRIES IN THIS HEMISPHERE, WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN VIOLENCE ACROSS THE OCEAN, THAT EXISTED IN CUBA TOWARD HUMAN RIGHTS, THEN I WOULD BE WILLING TO MOVE TOWARD NORMALIZING RELATIONSHIPS WITH CUBA AS WELL.

4. THE SAME THING APPLIES TO VIETNAM. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US WORK OUT AN AGREEMENT WITH VIETNAM FOR THE 225 AMERICANS WHO WERE LOST IN THAT WAR. THERE ARE SOME STILL CLASSIFIED AS MISSING IN ACTION. THEN I WOULD BE UNCLASSIFIED

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PERFECTLY GLAD TO SUPPORT THE ADMISSION OF VIETNAM TO THE UNITED NATIONS. WE HAVE 14 NATIONS IN THE WORLD WITH WHOM WE DO NOT HAVE NORMAL RELATIONSHIPS. WE ARE DEALING WITH EACH ONE OF THOSE CASES ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS. IN SOME INSTANCES, THE OTHER GOVERNMENTS DESPISE US SO DEEPLY THAT THEY DON'T WANT TO DEAL WITH US OR SEARCH OUT COMMON GROUNDS FOR NORMALIZING RELATIONSHIPS.

5. SO TO HOLD DOWN NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO REMOVE THE MILITARY PRESENCE OF AFRICAN NATIONS IN ANY OTHER COUNTRIES INCLUDING OUR OWN, AND NORMALIZING OF RELATIONSHIPS WITH COUNTRIES THAT WE DON'T HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH, ALL THOSE ARE ON MY FOREIGN AFFAIRS AGENDA. END QUOTE.
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